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One needs to read the book to appreciate it; a mere enumeration of the subjects gives no hint of the immense amount of care taken to quote methods which have been proved by experience in many schools to be the means best adapted to give good results and at the same time to insure the comfort and confidence of the patient.

Practical experience speaks from every page of the book—this gives it at once its greatest value and its charm. With all due regard to other schools throughout the country it must be acknowledged that many are unable from one reason or another to attain to the fine standard which the Presbyterian Hospital School of New York has set, and it is a matter for congratulation that those who have made the success of the school are so generous in sharing the result of their experience and labor. Not an idle word—not a shred of padding is to be found between the two covers. Vain repetitions are studiously avoided—the pupil being referred to page and chapter whenever it is necessary to draw on a previous lesson. A feature of marked importance is the footnote which is repeatedly employed throughout the book to attract and hold the attention to some point of vital importance. The authors have our heartiest congratulations and best wishes for the success of the book both as a literary venture and a financial investment.

FOODS AND THE ADULTERATIONS. Origin, Manufacture and Composition of Food Products; Description of Common Adulterations, Food Standards and National Food Laws and Regulations. By Harvey W. Wiley, M.D., Ph.D. P. Blakiston's Sons & Co., 1012 Walnut St., Philadelphia.

This book gives a great deal of valuable information regarding foods, and the title fails to convey any adequate idea of the many sided interest which the subject includes. Beside what is indicated on the title page, there is matter to carry the reader far afield in the arts and sciences. If one wanted a whole library in one book this comes as near it as one could well hope to find. Of course there is everything relating to meat and milk and oleomargarine and all the things one expects, but there is also much more; there is chemistry, botany, bee-keeping, sugar milling, an exhaustive article on fungi, ditto on fruits, nuts, in fact while it is a book which cannot be said to belong to any particular class of readers, there is in it something for all. It is very handsomely gotten up. There are eleven plates in colors and many other illustrations.